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NOTIFICATION

No. 9998/60/Law (K)1. *Dated, Trivandrum, 4th May 1961/ 14th Vaisakha 1883.*

The following Act of the Kerala State Legislature is hereby published for general information. The Bill as passed by the Legislative Assembly received the assent of the President on the 22nd day of April, 1961.

By order of the Governor,
P. NARAYANASWAMI,
Law Secretary.

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ACT 15 OF 1961

THE TRAVANCORE-COCHIN NURSES AND MIDWIVES (AMENDMENT) ACT, 1960.

An Act to amend the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives Act, 1953.

Preamble.—WHEREAS it is necessary to amend the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives Act, 1953, for the purposes hereinafter appearing;

BE it enacted in the Eleventh Year of the Republic of India as follows:—

1. *Short title and commencement.*—(1) This Act may be called the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives (Amendment) Act, 1960.

(2) It shall come into force on such date as the Government may, by notification in the Gazette, appoint.

2. *Amendment of preamble.*—In the preamble to the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives Act, 1953 (Act X of 1953) (hereinafter referred to as the principal Act), the words "excluding the Malabar district" shall be omitted.

3. *Amendment of section 1.*—In section 1 of the principal Act,—

(i) in sub-section (1), for the words "Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives Act", the words "Nurses and Midwives Act" shall be substituted;

(ii) for sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be substituted, namely:—

"(2) It extends to the whole of the State of Kerala.".

4. *Amendment of section 2.*—In section 2 of the principal Act,—

(i) in clause (a), for the words "Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives Council", the words "Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council" shall be substituted;

(ii) for clause (f), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

"(f) "Register" means the register of nurses or the register of midwives or the register of dhais maintained under this Act, and "registered" means registered or deemed to be registered under this Act;";

(iii) in clause (g), for the words "registered in the register of practitioners", the words "registered or deemed to be registered in the register of practitioners" shall be substituted.

5. *Substitution of new section for section 3.*—For section 3 of the principal Act, the following section shall be substituted, namely:—

"3. *Establishment, incorporation and constitution of the Council.*—(1) The Government shall, by notification in the Gazette, establish a Council to be called the Kerala Nurses and Midwives Council for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this Act. Such Council shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal and shall by the said name sue and be sued.

(2) The Council shall consist of the following members, namely:—

(a) the Director of Health Services, the Professor of Gynaecology, Medical College, Trivandrum, the Professor of Gynaecology, Medical College, Kozhikode, the Superintendent, Women and Children's Hospital, Trivandrum, and the Superintendent, Women and Children's Hospital, Kozhikode, to be *ex officio* members;

(b) one member elected by the members of the Medical Council from among themselves;

(c) three registered nurses nominated by the Government, two of whom shall be Superintendents of nursing schools and the third shall be the Matron-Superintendent of a major hospital;

(d) five members elected by the registered nurses from among the nurses registered in Part A of the register of nurses;

(e) three members elected by the registered midwives from among the midwives registered in Part A of the register of midwives.".

6. *Amendment of section 5.*—In section 5 of the principal Act, for the words "in the case of the first Council established under this Act", the words, brackets and figures "in the case of the first Council established after the commencement of the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives (Amendment) Act, 1960," shall be substituted.

7. *Amendment of section 6.*—In section 6 of the principal Act, after clause (a), the following clause shall be inserted namely:—

"(aa) if he is not a resident of the State of Kerala;".

8. *Amendment of section 7.*—In sub-section (1) of section 7 of the principal Act,—

(i) in clause (a), for the words "the first Council" the words, brackets and figures "the first Council constituted after the commencement of the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives (Amendment) Act, 1960," shall be substituted;

(ii) in clause (b), for the words "the first Council", the words, brackets and figures "the first Council constituted after the commencement of the Travancore-Cochin Nurses and Midwives (Amendment) Act, 1960," shall be substituted.

9. *Amendment of section 8.*—In section 8 of the principal Act, for the first sentence, the following sentence shall be substituted, namely:—

"Vacancies in the office of the elected or nominated members of the Council shall be filled by election or nomination, as the case may be.".

10. *Amendment of section 9.*—In sub-section (5) of section 9 of the principal Act, for the words "Surgeon General", the words "Director of Health Services" shall be substituted.

11. *Amendment of section 11.*—In section 11 of the principal Act, for clause (a), the following clause shall be substituted, namely:—

"(a) subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of section 7, on the expiry of the term of office;".

12. *Amendment of section 18.*—In section 18 of the principal Act,—

(i) after sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be inserted, namely:—

"(2-a) The Government shall cause to be prepared a separate register of dhais registered under the Madras Nurses and Midwives Act, 1926 and holding appointments or practising in the Malabar district referred to in sub-section (2) of section 5 of the States Reorganisation Act, 1956 (Central Act 37 of 1956), in such form and containing such particulars as may be prescribed.";

(ii) in sub-section (3), for the words "nurses and midwives", the words "nurses, midwives and dhais" shall be substituted.

13. *Amendment of section 25.*—In section 25 of the principal Act,—

(i) in sub-section (1), for the words "nurses and midwives", the words "nurses, midwives and dhais" shall be substituted;

(ii) in sub-section (2), for the words "nurses and midwives", the words "nurses, midwives and dhais" shall be substituted;

(iii) in sub-section (3), after the words "registered midwife" in both places where they occur, the words "or registered dhai" shall be inserted.

14. *Amendment of section 28.*—In sub-section (1) of section 28 of the principal Act, for the words "nurses and midwives", the words "nurses, midwives and dhais" shall be substituted.

15. *Amendment of section 29.*—In section 29 of the principal Act, after sub-section (2), the following sub-section shall be added, namely:—

"(3) Every nurse or midwife deemed to be registered under sub-section (1) of section 40-A and every dhai entitled

to practise under the provisions of this Act shall give notice of any change of address to the local supervising authority within whose jurisdiction he is practising.".

16. *Amendment of section 30.*—In sub-section (1) of section 30 of the principal Act, for the words "nurse or midwife" in both places where they occur, the words "nurse, midwife or dhai" shall be substituted.

17. *Amendment of section 32.*—In sub-section (1) of section 32 of the principal Act, for the words "nurse or midwife" in both places where they occur, the words "nurse, midwife or dhai" shall be substituted.

18. *Amendment of section 33.*—In section 33 of the principal Act, for the words "registered nurse or midwife" wherever they occur, the words "registered nurse, midwife or dhai" shall be substituted.

19. *Amendment of section 34.*—In section 34 of the principal Act, for the words "nurse or midwife" the words "nurse, midwife or dhai" shall be substituted.

20. *Amendment of section 35.*—In section 35 of the principal Act, in clause (k) of sub-section (2), for the words "nurses and midwives", the words "nurses, midwives and dhais" shall be substituted.

21. *Amendment of section 40-A.*—Section 40-A of the principal Act shall be renumbered as sub-section (1) of that section and after sub-section (1) as so renumbered the following sub-section shall be added, namely:—

"(2) The Registrar shall, on application and on production of evidence, enter the names of nurses and midwives, who are deemed to be registered under sub-section (1), in the appropriate register. No fee shall be charged on such application.".

22. *Amendment of section 41.*—Section 41 of the principal Act shall be renumbered as sub-section (1) of that section and after sub-section (1) as so renumbered the following sub-section shall be added, namely:—

"(2) The Madras Nurses and Midwives Act, 1926 (Madras Act III of 1926), as in force in the Malabar district referred to in sub-section (2) of section 5 of the States Reorganisation Act, 1956, is hereby repealed.".

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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Health and Labour Department

(Municipal Rules)

NOTIFICATION

No. 1482/Ml. Rules/61. *Dated, Trivandrum, 4th May 196.*

The following draft of certain rules which the Governmer of Kerala propose to make in exercise of the powers conferre by Clause (14) of Section 3 and Clause (b) of sub-section (2 of Section 344 of the Kerala Municipalities Act, 1960 (Act 14 o 1961) is hereby published for general information as requirec by sub-section (1) of Section 345 of the said Act.

Notice is hereby given that the said draft will be taken up for consideration on or after 2nd June 1961 and that any suggestion or objection received from any person in respect of the said draft on or before the date specified above, will be considered by the Government. Objections and suggestions shall be addressed to the Additional Secretary to the Government of Kerala, Health and Labour Department, Secretariat, Trivandrum.

DRAFT RULES

1. (1) These rules may be called 'the Municipal Councillors Election Rules, 1961'.

(2) For the purposes of the Act and these rules the Director of Local Bodies shall be the Election Authority.

(3) In these rules:—

'Election Officer' means the Municipal Commissioner or such other person or officer authorised or appointed by the Election Authority to do any act or perform any function in connection with the conduct of elections under these rules.

2. (1) Not less than 30 days before the date fixed for the holding of an election, the Election Officer shall prepare and publish a notice in English and in the language or languages of the locality stating:—

(a) the number of persons to be elected;

(b) the wards for which they are to be elected;

(c) the number of seats, if any, out of those for which elections are to be held, reserved in each ward for Scheduled Castes and Tribes, or for women;

(d) the date on which, the place at which and the hours between which, nomination papers should be presented, an

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iterval of at least seven days being allowed between the date opublication of the notice and the date for presentation of nmination papers ;

(e) the date on which the nomination papers will be tken up for scrutiny, not being less than twenty days before te date of the election ;

(f) the last day for withdrawal of candidatures which shall be the eighth day after the date for scrutiny of nominations ;

(g) the day on which, and the place or places where, the otes of the electors will be taken, should there be a poll ; and he hours during which the poll will be open, not being less than nine hours between 7 a. m. and 5 p. m. ; with an interval of one hour between 12 Noon and 1 p. m. ; and

(h) the day on which, and the place and hour at which he Election Officer will commence the counting of the votes.

(2) The notice shall be published by affixing it at the Munipal office and in two or more conspicuous places in each ward or which an election is to be held.

(3) The Government shall, as soon as may be, after the ommencement of these rules, by notification in the Gazette, ublish a list of symbols and may in like manner add to or vary uch list.

Nomination of Candidates.

4. (1) The nomination of every candidate shall be made by neans of a nomination paper in Form I, which shall, on application, be supplied free of cost by the Election Officer to any elector whose name is on the electoral roll for the Municipality.

(2) Every nomination paper shall be signed by two electors of the ward concerned as proposer and seconder and the candidate shall sign a declaration on it expressing his willingness to stand for election.

(3) The nomination paper shall also specify in the order of preference three symbols out of the list of symbols for the time being in force :

Provided that the choice of symbols by the candidate shall be subject to such restrictions as the Government may deem fit to impose.

(4) The same elector may sign as many nomination papers as there are vacancies to be filled but no more. Each candidate shall be nominated by a separate nomination paper.

(5) Every nomination paper shall be presented by the candidate in person or by his proposer or seconder on the date, at the place and during the hours appointed, to the Election Officer or to such other person as may be authorised by him in this behalf. The Election Officer or such other authorised

person shall forthwith number the nomination papers serially in the o der in which they are presented and enter on each nomination paper the time at which it is presented.

In wards where seats are reserved for any Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes, the candidate for that seat shall declare that he belongs to that particular Cast or Tribe. This declaration shall be verified by a Magistrate.

(6) Where a person has signed whether as proposer or seconder a larger number of nomination papers than there are vacancies to be filled, those of the papers so signed which have been first received up to the number of vacancies to be filled, shall be deemed to be valid.

(7) The rejection of a nomination paper of any candidate on the ground of any irregularity in respect thereof shall not affect the validity of the nomination of the candidate if the candidate has been duly nominated by means of another nomination paper in respect of which no irregularity has been committed.

(8) Nomination papers received after the date and time appointed shall be rejected.

5. On the presentation of a nomination paper, the Election Officer or other authorized person referred to in sub-rule (5) of rule 4 may require the person or persons presenting the same to produce a copy of the electoral roll on which the candidate and his proposer and seconder are registered or of the necessary entries therein and shall satisfy himself that the name and number of the candidate and his proposer and seconder as entered in the nomination paper are the same as those entered in the electoral roll. Where necessary, he shall direct that the former be amended so as to be in accordance with the latter.

The Election Officer may interpret on entry in the electoral roll so as to overlook merely clerical or printing errors, but he shall record the interpretation adopted by him together with the reasons therefor.

6. (1) On or before the date appointed for the presentation of nomination papers each candidate wishing to stand for election to a Municipal council shall deposit or cause to be deposited with the Election Officer, in cash a sum of twenty-five rupees, and no candidate shall be deemed to be duly nominated for any ward in respect of which such deposit has not been made. A separate deposit shall be required in respect of each ward for which the candidate wishes to stand.

Explanation.—The delivery to the Election Officer of a receipt from any Government treasury or bank wherein the Municipal council has an account, evidencing the payment by

or on behalf of a candidate, to the credit of the Municipal council, of the amount required to be deposited under this sub-rule shall be deemed to be a deposit of such amount within the meaning of this sub-rule made by or on behalf of such candidate at the time of such delivery.

(2) If a candidate by whom or on whose behalf the deposit referred to in sub-rule (1) has been made, withdraws his candidature in the manner and within the time specified in sub-rule (1) of rule 10, or if the nomination of any such candidate is refused the deposit shall be returned to the person by whom it was made; and if any candidate dies before the commencement of the poll. any such deposit, if made by him, shall be returned to his legal representative or if not made by the candidate, shall be returned to the person by whom it was made.

(3) If a candidate by whom or on whose behalf the deposit referred to in sub-rule (1) has been made is not elected and the number of votes polled by him does not exceed one-eighth of the total number of votes polled, divided by the number of members to be elected, the deposit shall be forfeited to the Municipal council.

(4) For the purpose of sub-rule (3) the number of votes polled shall be deemed to be the number of votes recorded on ballot papers, other than rejected votes counted.

(5) The deposit made in respect of a candidate who is not elected shall, if it is not forfeited under sub-rule (3), be returned to the candidate or to the person who has made the deposit on his behalf, as the case may be, as soon as may be, after the publication of the result of the election in the Government Gazette, and the deposit made in respect of a candidate who is elected shall be so returned as soon as may be after the candidate has taken his seat in the council or, in pursuance of a direction by the Government for the return of the deposit despite the fact that the seat has not been so taken by the candidate.

(6) Notwithstanding anything contained in sub-rules (2) and (5), where a candidate is duly nominated in more than one ward not more than one of the deposits made by him or on his behalf shall be returned and the remainder shall be forfeited to the Municipal council.

Explanation.—For the purpose of this sub-rule, a candidate is said to be duly nominated, if his nomination is not rejected under sub-rule (2) of rule 8.

(7) A deposit required to be returned to any person under sub-rule (2) or sub-rule (5) shall, if such person is dead, be returned to his legal representative.

(8) Notwithstanding anything contained in this rule, a deposit made under sub-rule (1) shall not be returned unless a claim therefor is preferred by the person who made the deposit or by his legal representative, as the case may be, within six

months of the date of the declaration by the Election Officer of the results of the election or where such declaration is made on two different dates, within six months of the later of such dates.

7. On the day appointed for the receipt of nomination papers and immediately after the hour for their receipt is past, the Election Officer or other authorised person referred to in sub rule (5) of rule 4 shall publish in the municipal office a list in Form II of all nominations received with a notice that the nomination papers will be taken up by the Election Officer for scrutiny at the municipal office or other specified place on the date appointed under rule 2 at the hour specified.

SCRUTINY OF NOMINATION PAPERS.

8. (1) On the date appointed for the scrutiny of nominations, the candidates, one proposer and one seconder of each candidate, and one other person duly authorised in writing by each candidate, and except for the purpose of assisting the Election Officer no other person, may attend at such time and place as may be specified under rule 7 and the Election Officer shall give such persons all reasonable facilities to examine the nomination papers of all candidates which have been received as aforesaid.

(2) The Election Officer shall then examine the nomination papers and shall decide all objections which may be made at the time to any nomination and may either on such objection or on his own motion after such summary inquiry, if any, as he thinks necessary, reject any nomination on any of the following grounds: —

(i) that the candidate is ineligible for election under the provisions of the Act;

(ii) that the proposer or seconder is a person whose name is not registered on the electoral roll;

(iii) that there has been any failure on the part of the candidate or his proposer or seconder to comply with any of provisions of rule 4 or 6;

(iv) that the signature of the candidate or any proposer or seconder is not genuine or has been obtained by fraud;

(v) that, in case the election is solely for a seat or seats reserved for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes the candidate is himself not a member of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

Provided that the nomination of a candidate shall not be rejected merely on the ground of any technical defect which is not of a substantial character or an incorrect description of his name or of the name of his proposer or seconder, or of any other particulars relating to the candidate or his proposer or seconder as entered on the electoral roll, if the identity of the candidate, proposer or seconder, as the case may be, is established beyond reasonable doubt.

(3) The scrutiny shall be completed on the day appointed in this behalf under rule 2 and no adjournment of the proceedings shall be allowed except for cases beyond the control of the Officer doing the scrutiny. Provided that in case an objection is made the candidate concerned may be allowed time to rebut it not later than the next day but one following the date fixed for scrutiny, and the Election Officer shall record his decision on the date to which the proceedings have been adjourned.

(4) The Election Officer shall endorse on each nomination paper his decision accepting or rejecting the same and, if the nomination paper is rejected, shall record in writing a brief statement of his reasons for such rejection.

9. (1) If the nomination of a candidate is rejected, the Election Officer shall, on a written application made by the candidate or his authorised agent, forthwith give him a copy of the order rejecting such nomination.

(2) If any candidate or his authorised agent makes a written application for copy of the order accepting the nomination of a candidate alleging that the acceptance of the nomination paper was improper, the Election Officer shall forthwith give him a copy of the order.

(3) From an order rejecting the nomination of a candidate, or from an order accepting the nomination of a candidate an appeal shall lie to the District Collector. The memorandum of appeal shall be delivered to the District Collector or shall reach him within three days of the date of the order.

(4) If any such appeal or appeals have been preferred, the District Collector shall communicate the orders passed by him on such appeal or appeals to the Election Officer that is to say, within seven days from the date fixed for the scrutiny of nominations.

10. (1) Any candidate may withdraw his candidature by notice in writing signed by him and delivered to the Election Officer at or before 3 o' clock in the afternoon on the eighth day after the date appointed by the Election Officer for scrutiny of nominations. A candidate who has withdrawn his candidature shall not be allowed to cancel the withdrawal or to be re-nominated as a candidate for the same election.

Provided that if that day is a public holiday within the meaning of section 25 of the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 (XXVI of 1881) or has been notified by the Government as a day to be observed as a holiday in Government offices, the notice of withdrawal of the candidate shall be considered as having been delivered in due time if it is delivered before three o' clock in the afternoon on the next succeeding day which is neither such a public holiday nor a day so notified.

(2) The Election Officer, on receiving a notice of withdrawal, shall, as soon as may be, cause a notice of the withdrawal to be published on the notice board of the Municipal Office.

11. (1) After 3 o' clock in the afternoon of the last date fixed for withdrawal, the Election Officer shall prepare a list in Form III of persons whose nominations have not been rejected and who have not withdrawn their candidature and publish it on the notice board of the Municipal Office.

(2) The election Officer shall formally assign symbols to the validly nominated candidates. He shall be guided by the following principles in assigning symbols:

(a) If Government have assigned symbols to political parties, he shall assign those symbols to candidates who belong to those political parties.

(b) In double member wards where seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes or Tribes or women and if the same political party has candidates for the reserved seat and for the remaining seat, the same symbol shall be assigned to both the candidates. But the symbol of the candidate for reserved seat will be enclosed in thick black circles.

(c) After assigning the symbols to party candidates, the Election Officer shall assign the symbols of the first choice to such candidates whose first choice does not clash with the first choice of any other candidate.

(d) After assignment of symbols as provided in clauses (a), (b) and (c), if more candidates than one indicate their preferences for the same symbol, the Election Officer shall decide by lot to which of the candidates the symbol will be assigned. The decision of the Election Officer shall be final.

(3) The list shall contain the names of the candidates in alphabetical order and shall describe them as in their nomination papers. It shall be prepared in such language or languages as the Election Authority may direct. The list shall show against the names of the candidates the symbols assigned to them.

12. The following provisions shall apply in respect of candidates where there is no reserved seat and who have been duly nominated and have not withdrawn their candidature in the manner and within the time specified in sub-rule (1) of Rule 10—

(a) if there is only one candidate, the Election Officer shall declare him to be duly elected ;

(b) if there is no candidate election proceedings shall be started afresh for filling up the vacancy, in all respects as if for a new election; and

(c) if the number of candidates exceeds one, a poll shall be taken.

13. (1) The provisions of this rule shall apply in relation to any election in a ward where the seats to be filled include a reserved seat.

(2) If the number of candidates qualified to be chosen to fill the reserved seat is one, then that candidate shall be forthwith declared to be elected to fill the reserved seat, and the procedure laid down in Rule 12 shall be followed for filling the remaining seat.

(3) If there are only two candidates and if both are qualified to be chosen to fill the reserved seat, the Election Officer shall first select by lot, to be drawn by him in such manner as he may determine, the candidate to be declared elected to the reserved seat out of the two candidates and then declare the candidate so selected to be duly elected to fill the reserved seat and thereafter declare the remaining candidate to be duly elected to fill the remaining seat.

(4) If the number of candidates qualified to be chosen to fill the reserved seat exceeds one and the total number of candidates also exceeds the total number of seats to be filled, the procedure laid down in Rule 12 shall be followed, and after the poll has been taken, the Election Officer shall first declare the candidate who, being qualified to be chosen to fill the reserved seat, has secured the largest number of votes, to be duly elected to fill the reserved seat, and then declare such of the remaining candidate as has secured the largest number of votes to be duly elected to fill the remaining seat.

14. (1) If a poll has to be taken, the Election Officer shall appoint a Presiding Officer for each polling station and such Polling Officer or Officers as he thinks necessary; but he shall not appoint any person who has been employed by or on behalf of or has otherwise been working for a candidate in or about the election. The Presiding or Polling Officers shall neither be members of the ward for which the poll is to be taken nor registered electors therein.

Provided that if a Polling Officer is absent from the polling station the Presiding Officer may appoint a person who is present at the polling station, other than a person who has been employed by or on behalf of or has been otherwise working for a candidate in or about the election or a member of the ward for which a poll is to be taken or a registered elector therein, to be the Polling Officer during the absence of the former officer and inform the Election Officer accordingly.

(2) The Polling Officer shall, if so directed by the Presiding Officer, perform all or any of the functions of a Presiding Officer under the Act or any rules or orders made thereunder.

(3) If the Presiding Officer, owing to illness or other unavoidable cause, is obliged to absent himself from the polling station, his function shall be performed by such Polling Officer as has been previously authorised by the Election Officer to perform such functions during such absence.

(4) References in these Rules to the Presiding Officer shall, unless the context otherwise requires, be deemed to include any person performing any function which he is authorised to perform under sub rule (2) or sub rule (3) as the case may be.

(5) The Election Officer may also, if necessary, appoint one or more identifying officers to assist the Presiding Officers in identifying the electors.

(6) If after the taking of a poll has become necessary and before the poll is taken, a candidate who has been duly nominated dies, the Election Officer shall upon being satisfied of the fact of the death of the candidate, countermand the poll; and election proceedings shall be started afresh in all respects as if for a new election:

Provided that no fresh nomination shall be necessary in the case of a candidate who stood nominated at the time of the countermanding of the poll.

POSTAL VOTING.

15. (1) If any public servant who is an elector for any ward is, by reason of his being on duty at a polling station, unable to be present and vote at the polling station where he is entitled to vote, he may apply to the Election Officer at least seven days before the date fixed for the poll in that ward for permission to vote at the election by postal ballot. Every such application shall specify the name of the elector, his address and his serial number in the Electoral Roll.

(2) If the Election Officer is satisfied that the claim is just and that the applicant is entitled to vote in the ward, he shall allow the application and permit the applicant to give his vote thereat by postal ballot.

(3) While allowing such an application, the Election Officer shall cause suitable notes to be recorded in each copy of the Electoral Roll in which the applicant is registered and which is intended to be used at the polling station where the applicant would otherwise have normally voted so as to indicate that the applicant has been permitted to give his vote at the election by postal ballot.

16. (1) If permission is given to an elector to vote by postal ballot, the Election Officer shall send by registered post to each of such electors a ballot paper in Form IV and shall enter on the counterfoil of each ballot paper the name of the elector to whom the ballot paper is sent and his serial number on the Electoral Roll. The particulars in the ballot paper shall be printed in the language or languages in which the Electoral Roll for the ward to which the election relates has been printed, and the names of the candidates shall be printed on the ballot paper in the same order in which the names of such candidates appear in the list of validly nominated candidates with their respective symbols. Where the seats to be filled include seat reserved for

Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes, or for women, the names of the candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes or Scheduled Tribes or the name of the woman candidates shall be indicated on the ballot paper by means of suitable distinguisbing marks.

Provided that Government, if they are satisfied that the number of electors entitled to vote by postal ballot at an election is small, direct that the names of candidates on the ballot paper and the distinguishing marks, if any, to be indicated against such name, shall either be typed or be in manuscript as Government may deem fit.

(2) The Election Officer shall send the ballot paper to such elector in the address given in the application by registered post.

17. Every such elector on receiving the ballot paper shall record his vote and sign the declaration on its back in accordance with the instructions at the back and shall send the same to the Election Officer so as to reach him before 5 p. m. on the date fixed for the poll in the particular ward.

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18. The Presiding Officer shall keep order at the station, shall see that the election is fairly conducted and regulate the number of electors to be admitted at one time, and shall exclude all other persons except the polling officers, the candidates, one agent of each candidate, at a time (hereinafter referred to as the polling agent) appointed in writing by the candidate, the police on duty, and such persons as may he admitted for the purpose of identifying the electors.

19. The ballot box shall be so constructed that the ballot papers can be introduced therein but cannot be withdrawn therefrom without the box being unlocked. The Presiding Officer will display inside and outside the polling station on posters the names of candidates in the order in which they appear in tbe nomination list with the symbols assigned to them. Just before the commencement of the poll the Presiding Officer shall show the ballot box as empty to such persons as may be present at the polling station and shall then lock it up and place seals upon it in such manner as to prevent its being opened without breaking such seals and place it in the view of the Presiding Officer, the candidates and their agents, for the receipt of the ballot papers. The key of the ballot box shall be placed under seal.

20. The Election Officer shall provide for each Presiding Officer such number of Polling Officers as may be necessary and shall supply him with a copy of the Electoral Rolls, a list of nominations, ballot papers and boxes, and such other papers, stationery and forms as may be necessary. The Election Officer shall also furnish the Presiding Officer information as to the number of vacancies for which the election is to be held.

21. The ballot papers shall be in Form V. The ballot papers shall be serially numbered. In a ward where there is a reserved seat, the name of every candidate standing for the reserved seat shall be marked with an asterisk and a foot note to indicate that detail shall be included.

22. Immediately before a ballot paper is handed over to an elector, the Presiding Officer shall note the serial number of the ballot paper issued against the Elector's name in the Electoral Roll.

23. The elector on receiving the ballot paper shall forthwith proceed to one of the polling compartments and there make a mark on the ballot paper on or near the symbol of the candidate or each of the candidates for whom he intends to vote, by means of a rubber stamp, to be provided in the polling compartment. The impression of the stamp would be a simple cross enclosed in a circle (whose diameter will normally be 1 centimeter). The elector shall then fold the ballot paper so as to conceal his vote and insert the ballot paper so folded into the ballot box in the presence of the presiding officer. Every elector shall vote without undue delay and shall quit the polling station as soon as he has inserted his ballot paper into the ballot box. No elector shall be allowed to enter a polling compartment when another elector is inside it.

24. If owing to blindness or other physical infirmity, an elector is unable to recognise the symbol on the ballot paper or make a mark thereon, the Presiding Officer shall record the vote in the ballot paper in accordance with the wishes of the elector as provided for in Rule 23 and fold it up so as to conceal the vote. The elector shall then himself or with the assistance of the Presiding Officer insert the ballot paper into the ballot box. When acting under this rule, the Presiding Officer shall observe as much secrecy as is feasible and shall keep a brief record of each such instance but shall not indicate therein the manner in which any vote has been given.

25. When a person presents himself to vote and at any time before a ballot paper is supplied to him, the Presiding or Polling Officer may of his own accord and shall, if so required by a candidate or polling agent, put to such person the following questions:—

(i) Are you the person enrolled as follows (reading the whole entry from the roll);

(ii) Have you already voted at the present election in this ward;

(iii) (At a general election) have you already voted at this general election in any other ward;

and the person shall not be supplied with a ballot paper unless he gives an unqualified answer to the question or questions put to him and unless his answer to the first question

is in the affirmative and the second in the negative and in the case of a general election, the third also is in the negative. Except as mentioned herein, and subject to the provisions of the Act every person whose name is found in the Electoral Roll of the ward shall be entitled to be supplied with a ballot paper.

26. (1) If a person representing himself to be a particular elector named in the Electoral Roll applies for a ballot paper after another person has already voted as such elector, the applicant shall, after duly answering such questions as the Presiding or Polling Officer may ask, be entitled to receive a ballot paper referred to as a "tendered ballot paper" in the same manner as any other elector.

(2) A tendered ballot paper shall be in Form VI and shall be handed over by such person to the Presiding Officer who shall thereupon take such person inside the polling compartment and shall in the presence of such person endorse it with the name or names of the candidate or candidates for whom such person desires to vote and also with the name of the elector, and his serial number in the Electoral Roll of the ward to which the roll relates. The Presiding Officer shall then place the ballot paper in a separate packet set apart for the purpose. At the end of the poll the packet containing all such tendered ballot papers shall be sealed. Such votes shall not be counted by the Election Officer.

(3) The name of the elector, his serial number in the Electoral Roll and the ward to which the roll relates shall be entered in a list in Form VII which shall bear the heading "Tendered Votes List". The person tendering such ballot paper shall sign his name or affix his thumb impression against the entry relating to him in that list.

Explanation: In cases falling under this rule to which Rule 27 is also applicable the provisions of this rule as well as of Rule 27 shall be followed.

27. (1) If any candidate or polling agent declares and undertakes to prove that any person by applying for a ballot paper and claiming to be a particular elector has committed the offence of personation, the Presiding Officer may require such person to enter in the list of challenged votes which shall be in Form VIII his name and address and if he is unable to write, to affix his thump impression thereto and may further require such person to produce evidence of identification.

Provided that no action shall be taken by the Presiding Officer under this sub-rule unless a sum of two rupees has been deposited in cash with the Presiding Officer by the candidate or agent for each challenge he makes.

(2) If such person complies with such requisition and on being questioned in the manner prescribed in Rule 25 gives unqualified answers to the first question in the affirmative and

the second in the negative, and in the case of a general election the third also in the negative, he shall be allowed to vote after he has been informed of the penalty for personation.

(3) If the Presiding Officer after such inquiry on the spot as he thinks necessary, is of opinion that the challenge made by the candidate or his agent under sub-rule (1) is frivolous and has not been made in good faith, he shall direct that the deposit made under sub-rule (1) is to be forfeited to the Municipal council and his order in that respect shall be final.

(4) If the deposit made under sub-rule (1) is not forfeited under sub-rule (3) it shall be returned to the person by whom it was made after the close of the poll on the day on which it was made.

(5) The Presiding Officer shall in every case, whether or not the person challenged is allowed to vote, make a note of the circumstances in the list of challenged votes.

28. (1) Where the proceedings at any polling station are seriously interrupted or obstructed by any riot or open violence or otherwise or where a large number of electors are unable to attend the poll at the polling station by reason of any natural calamities such as flood or fire, the Presiding Officer shall stop the poll, pending the receipt of the orders of the Election Authority. The fact that the poll has been so stopped shall be immediately announced by the Presiding Officer to the persons present at the polling station.

(2) Where a Presiding Officer stops a poll under sub-rule (1), he shall observe the procedure laid down in Rules 29 and 30 and forthwith make a full report of the circumstances to the Election Officer, who shall forward the same expeditiously with his remarks thereon, if any, to the Election Authority.

(3) The Election Authority shall thereupon order:—

(a) that the poll be continued at the polling station for the number of hours for which it was not held on the previous occasion or;

(b) that the proceedings at the poll held at the polling station on the previous occasion be ignored and that a fresh poll be held at such polling station for the full number of hours for which it should have been held on the previous occasion.

Any order passed by the Election Authority under this sub-rule shall be final:

(4) Any order passed under sub-rule (3) shall:

(a) state—

(i) the date on which and the hours between which the continuation poll or the fresh poll, as the case may be, shall be held; and

(ii) the date on which, and the place and hour at which, the Election Officer will commence the counting of the votes under Rule 31.

(b) be published in the manner laid down in sub-rule (2) of Rule 2 not less than seven days before the date fixed for the continuation poll or for the fresh poll, as the case may be.

(5) (a) Where an order is passed under clause (a) of sub-rule (3) for the continuation of the poll the Election Officer shall proceed afresh under sub-rule (1) of Rule 14 and return to the Presiding Officer appointed under that sub-rule, all the packets received by him under sub-rule (2) of this rule.

(b) The Presiding Officer shall open the packet just before the commencement of the continuation poll in the presence of such persons as may be present at the polling station and commence such poll precisely at the hour fixed therefor in the order passed by the Election Authority under clause (a) of sub-rule (3).

(c) At the continuation poll, the Presiding Officer shall allow only such electors to vote as did not vote on the previous occasion.

(6) Where an order is passed under clause (b) of sub-rule (3) for holding a fresh poll, the Election Officer shall proceed afresh under sub-rules (1) and (5) of Rule 14, and a fresh poll shall be held at the polling station concerned in accordance with the provisions of these rules in all respects as if it were being held at such polling station for the first time.

Explanation.—There shall be no fresh nomination in cases falling under this sub-rule.

(7) Notwithstanding anything contained in this rule, if a candidate dies at any time before orders are passed by the Election Authority under sub-rule (3) or at any time after the passing of such orders but before the commencement of the continuation poll or of the fresh poll, as the case may be, the Election Officer shall, upon being satisfied on the fact of the death of the candidate, intimate such fact to the Election Authority, stop all further proceedings in connection with the election, and start election proceedings afresh in all respects as if for a new election by the ward concerned.

Provided that no fresh nomination shall be necessary in the case of the remaining candidates who stood nominated at the time when the poll was stopped.

29. Immediately after the close of the poll, the Presiding Officer shall, in the presence of such of the candidates and their polling agents as may be in attendance, close the slit for insertion of ballot papers of each box, seal up the slit and seal and secure, all the ballot boxes used at the polling station. The ballot boxes shall be wrapped in covering paper and sealed again. He shall, also make up into separate packets and seal with his own seal and seals of such candidates or polling agents as may desire to affix their seals.

(1) the keys of such boxes ;

(2) the unused ballot popers ;

(3) the tendered ballot papers;

(4) the marked copy of the Electoral Roll;

(5) tendered votes lists;

(6) the list of challenged votes;

(7) list of infirm voters and

(8) any other paper directed by the Election Officer to be kept in sealed packets.

30. The packets shall be forwarded at once by the Presiding Officer to the Election Officer accompanied by a statement in Form IX. Each packets shall be numbered and shall bear a note as to its contents.

31. (1) On the date and at the time and place appointed for the counting of votes, the Election Officer shall proceed as follows:—

(i) All the ballot boxes placed for the counting of votes shall be counted and checked and the Election Officer shall satisfy himself that all the ballot boxes used at the poll have been received and accounted for.

(ii) The Election Officer shall then allow the candidates and their counting agents (who may be appointed in writing by the candidate) present at the counting an opportunity to inspect the ballot boxes and their seals for satisfying themselves that they are in order.

(iii) The Election Officer shall also satisfy himself that none of the boxes has in fact been tampered with. If any ballot box is found by the Election Officer to have been tampered with or destroyed or lost the Election Officer shall postpone the counting of votes until further orders of Government are received in this behalf, and forthwith make a full report of the circumstances to the Election Authority who shall forward the same expeditiously with his remarks, if any, to the Government. The Government may, thereupon, issue such orders in the matter as they consider necessary in the circumstances of the case. The orders passed by the Government under this clause shall be final.

(iv) If the Election Officer is satisfied that all the ballot boxes used at the poll have been received and are in order he shall take up the counting of votes on ballot papers contained in the ballot boxes. All the ballot boxes used at any polling station shall be opened at the same time. Every ballot box shall be so dealt with that its contents may not get mixed up with the contents of any other ballot box.

(v) The Election Officer shall allow the candidates and their counting agents who may be present reasonable opportunity to inspect all votes on ballot papers, which in the opinion of the Election Officer are liable to be rejected but shall not allow them to handle those or any other ballot papers. The Election Officer shall on every ballot paper the vote on which is rejected, endorse

the word "rejected". If any candidate or counting agent questions the correctness of the rejection of any vote, on any ballot paper the Election Officer shall also record briefly on such ballot paper the grounds for its rejection. A brief record shall be kept of the serial numbers of all ballot papers the votes on which are rejected and of such particulars as will identify the ballot box in which each such ballot paper was found. Every vote which is not rejected shall be deemed to be valid and shall counted ;

Provided that no packet containing tendered ballot papers shall be opened and no such ballot paper shall be counted.

(2) The election officer shall maintain a result sheet in form X in respect of all ballot papers taken out of the ballot boxes.

(3) After the counting of votes recorded on ballot papers contained in all the ballot boxes used at a polling station has been completed and the entry in respect thereof made in form X the Election Officer shall announce the particulars in such entry.

(4) After all the valid votes recorded on ballot papers at each of the polling stations have been counted, the ballot papers shall be placed in a separate packet which shall be sealed and on which shall be recorded the following particulars, namely:

(a) the name of the ward and the number of the polling station.

(b) the name of the candidates.

(c) the date of the poll.

(d) the date of counting.

(5) Each packet of rejected votes on ballot papers shall be sealed and the particulars specified in the above sub-rule shall be recorded thereon.

(6) After the counting of ballot papers contained in the boxes used at all the polling stations in the ward has been completed, the Election Officer shall, with respect to the postal ballot papers received by him before 5 p. m. on the date of poll, proceed as follows: —

(a) The Election Officer shall open or cause to be opened all covers containing the postal ballot papers received by him and collect the ballot papers contained therein and after scrutiny separate or cause to be separated the ballot papers which he deems valid from those which he rejects, endorsing on the latter the word "rejected" and the ground of rejection:

(b) The Election Officer shall then count or cause to be counted the valid votes given to each candidate and shall record a statement showing the total number of votes given to each candidate.

(c) The Election Officer shall then seal in separate packets the valid and rejected postal ballot papers and write on each packet the description of its contents and the name of the ward and the date of election to which it refers.

(7) The Election Officer shall as far as practicable proceed continuously with the counting of votes and shall during any intervals when the counting has to be suspended, keep the ballot papers, packets and other documents relating to the election sealed with his own seal and the seals of such candidates or counting agents as may desire to affix their seals and shall cause adequate precautions to be taken for their safe custody.

(8) After the counting of ballot papers contained in all the ballot boxes and votes recorded on postal ballot papers has been completed, the Election Officer shall record the total number of votes polled by each candidate.

32. (1) A ballot paper contained in a ballot box shall be rejected if—

(a) it bears any mark or writing by which the elector can be identified;

(b) it bears any serial number or mark different from the serial numbers or marks of ballot papers authorised for use at the polling station or the polling booth at which the ballot box in which it was found was used;

(c) the Election Officer is satisfied that it is a spurious ballot paper or that it has been so damaged or mutilated that its identity as a genuine ballot paper cannot be established;

(d) votes are given on it in favour of more candidates than there are members to be elected;

(e) no vote is recorded thereon;

(f) mark indicating the vote is placed on the ballot paper in such a manner as to make it doubtful to which candidate the vote has been given:

Provided that when an elector has more votes than one and his ballot paper has not been rejected under the sub-rules (a) to (e), the vote or votes other than the rejected vote shall be duly counted.

(2) A postal ballot paper which is not duly marked or on which more than one mark is placed against any candidate's name or on which votes are given to more candidates than there are members to be elected, or on which a mark is placed in such a manner as to make it doubtful to which candidate it has been given or on which the signature of the elector is not duly attested shall be invalid:

Provided in the case of a plural member ward where more than one vote can be given on the same ballot paper, if any

vote is given by a mark which has not been duly made or by placing more marks than one against any candidate's name or if any of the marks is so placed as to render it doubtful to which candidate it has been given, only the vote concerned, but not the whole ballot paper, shall be invalid on that account.

(3) The decision of the Election Officer as to the validity of a ballot paper contained in a ballot box shall be final subject to any decision to the contrary given on the trial of an election petition calling in question the election.

33. (1) After the Election Officer has completed the scrutiny and counting of votes, he shall prepare a return of the result of the polling in Form XI and shall, subject to the provisions of Rule 38, declare that the candidate or candidates to whom most valid votes have been given, has or have been duly elected.

(2) Any candidate or his agent shall, on application, be permitted to take a copy or an extract from the return in Form XI.

34. The Election Officer shall not open the sealed packets containing the tendered ballot papers or the marked copies of the Electoral Roll.

35. Upon the completion of the counting and the declaration of the results, the Election Officer shall seal up in separate packets—

(1) the ballot papers, all or some of the votes on which have been counted; and

(2) the ballot papers, all the votes on which have been rejected,

and shall mark on each packet the number of papers it contains. A note shall be made giving a description of the contents of each packet and the election to which it relates.

DISPOSAL OF BALLOT PAPERS.

36. (1) The Election Officer shall, after declaring the result, forward a copy of the return to the Chairman of the Municipal Council and shall retain in his custody the packets of ballot papers, whether counted, rejected or tendered. These packets shall not be opened and their contents shall not be inspected or produced except under the orders of an election or other competent court.

(2) The Election Officer shall retain the packets and the marked copies of the electoral roll for a year and shall then unless otherwise directed by the orders of an election or other competent court, cause them to be destroyed.

GENERAL.

37. (1) If any person has been elected for more wards than one, he shall by notice in writing signed by him intimate to the Election Officer the ward for which he chooses to serve. Such intimation shall reach the Election Officer within twenty-four hours of the latest of the declarations of the results of elections in the ward for which such person stood as a candidate.

(2) On receipt of the intimation, the Election Officer shall declare the said person to have been elected for the ward chosen by him. In default of such intimation, the Election Officer shall declare him to have been elected for any one of the wards. In either case, election proceedings shall be started afresh for filling up the vacancy in the other ward or wards for which such person has been elected.

38. If there is an equality of votes between any two or more candidates, the Election Officer shall, after notice to the candidates concerned, decide by drawing lots which candidate or candidates he shall declare to have been elected.

39. The name or names of the candidate or candidates duly elected shall be forwarded without delay by the Election Officer to the Government and shall also be published on the notice board of the Municipal Office, and in the Government Gazette.

40. (1) If any question arises as to the interpretation of these rules otherwise than in connection with an inquiry held under the rules for the decision of disputes as to the validity of an election, the question shall be referred to the Government whose decision shall be final.

(2) Pending the decision of the Government on any such reference made to them or the issue of final orders on any inquiry which the Government may institute upon receipt of information that an election is being or about to be held in contravention of the rules, it shall be lawful for the Government to direct the stay of the election proceedings at any stage thereof prior to the declaration of the results. Any election held or continued in contravention of the orders of the Government under this rule shall be void and of no effect whatsoever.

(3) Unless it is otherwise ordered by the Government, election proceedings stayed under this rule shall, on cancellation of the stay order, proceed from the stage at which they were stayed on fresh dates to be fixed.

FORM I

(See Rule 4)

Nomination Paper.

1. Name or number of the ward.
2. Full name of candidate.
3. Number of candidate in the electoral roll.
4. Father's, Karanavan's or Husband's name.
5. Age.
6. Occupation and address.
7. Full name of proposer.
8. Number of proposer in the electoral roll.
9. Signature of the proposer.
10. Full name of the seconder.
11. Number of the seconder in the electoral roll.
12. Signature of the seconder.
13. Symbols in the order of preference.

CANDIDATE'S DECLARATION.

I declare that I am the candidate mentioned herein and that I am willing to stand for election.

Signature of candidate.

* (Declaration by a candidate who is a member of any of the scheduled caste or tribe for whom seat has been reserved).

I declare that I am a member of the.................... caste/tribe.

Signature of candidate.

VERIFICATION BY A MAGISTRATE.

Solemnly affirmed before me by.......................... who is personally known to me (or who has been identified to my satisfaction) by—

Name..................

Address................

Signature of Magistrate

Full Designation.

Seal of Magistrate.

Endorsement by the Election Officer or other authorised person.

Serial No.

This nomination paper was presented to me by............ (person) at................ (date and hour).

Signature of the Election
Officer or other authorised person.

Instructions.

Nomination papers which are not presented to the Election Officer or other authorised person before .... (hour) on the ....day of..........19 shall not be received.
* Strike out if inapplicable.

FORM II

(*See Rule* 7)

List of nominations received on.......... (date) .... for................ (ward).

1. Serial number.
2. Name of candidate.
3. Father's, Karanavan's or Husband's name.
4. Occupation and address.
5. Name of proposer.
6. Name of seconder. ....

Note

The nomination papers will be taken up for scrutiny ....at.................a.m./p.m. on.......... .... the ....day of ....at.................(Place)

Election Officer or other
authorised person.

FORM III

(See Rule 11)

List of Valid Nominations.

.........................Ward

1. Serial number.
2. Name of candidate.
3. Address.
4. Symbol assigned to the candidate.

The candidate whose name is marked with on asterisk is a member of a scheduled caste or tribe or woman.

NOTE

The poll will be taken between..................and at the polling stations already notified.

Election Officer.

FORM IV

(See Rule 16)

Form of Postal Ballot Paper.

Counterfoil

Outerfoil
Front.

Election for Municipal Council..............................
Ward.........................
Serial number of Ballot Paper..............

Election for Municipal Council.................
Ward...........

Name of elector..................
Serial No. of elector in the Electoral Roll......................

Name of candidate.	Symbol.	Mark

Instructions.

1. The number of candidates for whom the elector may vote is..............

2. Not more than one vote may be given to a candidate...... ....

3. The candidates whose names are marked with + are members of the Scheduled Castes/ (and) the condidates whose names are marked with — are members of Scheduled Tribes and the candidates whose names are marked with * are women.

4. Votes shall be recorded by placing a mark on the ballot paper opposite the name of the candidate (or candidates) for whom the elector wishes to vote.

5. The elector shall obtain the attestation of his signature on the back of this form either by a Magistrate or by a Gazetted Officer to whom the elector is known or to whose satisfaction the elector has been identified.

6. The attesting officer shall attest the signature of the elector but not his vote which should not be recorded in the presence of the attesting officer.

(Form of the back of outerfoil of ballot paper)

Serial No. of Ballot Paper..... ......

I hereby declare that I am the person whose name appears as elector No.. ....on the Electoral Roll for..........ward, and that I have not voted in this ward or in any other ward or Municipality in any other manner.

Signature of Elector.

Date. *Address.*

Fold on this line.

Signed in my presence by.............................who is personally known to me or has been identified to my satisfaction by....................

Signature of the Attesting Officer.

Designation.

Address.

Name..................

Address................

FORM V

(See Rule 21)

Ballot Paper.

(Name of Candidate)	(Symbol)

K. (Serial No.)

FORM VI

[See Rule 26 (2)]

Form of Tendered Ballot Paper.

Election for....................ward.
Polling station.......................
Name of elector.......................
Serial number of the elector in the electoral roll................
The ward to which the elector belongs..................
Name or names of candidate or candidates for whom this is tendered..........................1.......................
2.......................
etc.

Date.......... *Signature of Presiding Officer.*

FORM VII

[See Rule 26 (3)]

Tendered Votes List.

................Polling station...........................ward.

Number on electoral roll	Name	Address	Signature of elector if literate; or thumb impression of elector if illiterate, with signature of witness

FORM VIII

(*See Rule 27*)

List of Challenged Votes

................Polling Station..................ward.

Number on electoral roll.	Name	Address	Orders of Presiding Officer	Signature of elector if literate; or thumb impression of elector if illiterate, with signature of witness

Signature of Presiding Officer.

FORM IX

(*See Rule 30*)

Statement sent by Presiding Officer at .... in the Municipality of .... after the polling on .... 19 for the .... Polling Station in ....ward.

Description	Number received	Number used	alance	Remarks
Ballot papers :				
(a) Ordinary.				
(b) Tendered.				

Particulars of packets sent to the Election Officer.

Signature of Presiding Officer.

FORM X

[*See Rule 31(3)*]

Election

..............Municipality

..............Ward

Polling station.		Number of valid votes cast in favour of			Number of				
Serial No.	Name.	A	B	C	Valid votes	Rejected votes	Total votes for polling station.	Number of tendered votes.	Remarks.
Total number of votes recorded at polling stations.									
Number of votes recorded on postal ballot papers.									
Total votes polled.									

Place

Date

Election Officer.

FORM XI

(*See Rule* 33)

Return showing results of the election for seats for.......... ward in the......................Municipality.

Name of candidate. (1)	Number of valid votes. (2)
A	
B	
C	
D	
E	
F	

Total number of valid votes.

Total number of invalid votes.

I do hereby declare that the following candidates have been duly elected for...................ward.

Election Officer.

By order of the Governor,

K. C. SANKARANARAYANAN,
Addl. Health Secretary.